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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Mrs. MORELLA].

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

Washington, DC, *July 21, 1995.* 

I hereby designate the Honorable Constance A. Morella to act as Speaker protempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

#### **PRAYER**

The Chaplain, Rev. James David Ford, D.D., offered the following prayer:

We have heard it said of old that there abides faith and hope and love and the greatest of these is love. And now we pray that in all the moments of our lives the reality and dynamic of this greatest of all Your gifts, will be meaningful in our daily lives and have a profound effect on our attitudes toward others. We know too, O God, that the reality of love is greater than our ability to imagine or comprehend, so may our hearts and minds be alert to all the opportunities to experience this gift and to embrace it with joy and thanksgiving. This is our earnest prayer. Amen.

#### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Texas, Mr. GENE GREEN, come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. ĞENE GREEN of Texas led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

# ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain 10 1-minute speeches on each side.

# SET-ASIDE PROGRAMS SHOULD BE ELIMINATED

(Mr. FRANKS of Connecticut asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. FRANKS of Connecticut. Madam Speaker, I have been assured by you and the House Republican leadership that I will be able to offer an amendment that would eliminate race- and gender-based set-aside programs for the awarding of Federal contracts, and I intend to do so. We have agreed to utilize the DOD appropriations bill as our means.

I say this to give Members due notice. Prior to the vote, I intend to hold hearing-like meetings on my amendment. On Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of next week, I will hold these sessions for Republicans and Democrats to discuss this proposal. Notices will be going to every Member's office denoting the time and the location.

Communication, openness, and input from all interested Members prior to the vote is desired, because we all would like to offer every American an equal opportunity to succeed in this great country.

#### TRIBUTE TO RICHARD T. GREENE

(Mr. FLAKE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. FLAKE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a patriarch of American banking and finance. In New York City and across the Nation, his name and his professional legacy command respect and admiration. Richard T. Greene, the chairman of the board of directors of Carver Federal Savings Bank, the Nation's largest African-American financial institution, has maintained a life-long commitment to the success of America's financial services industry and the well-being of his community. Today, we join a host of other organizations and institutions that have already recognized his enduring contribution to mankind.

Richard Greene has been with Carver for 35 years and has served as its president and CEO for 25 of those years. Carver, founded in 1949, has more than \$368 million in total assets and eight offices in New York City and Long Island. His leadership has been recognized by numerous newspapers, journals, and periodicals. Fortune, the Daily News, American Banker, Black Enterprise, and Newsday have featured the growth and success experienced by Carver under Greene's stewardship.

Carver continues to fulfill its founding philosophy of operating in the best interests of the people in the communities it serves. Since 1986, the bank has awarded 401 scholarships totaling \$312,970 to children of its customers through its Scholarship Awards Program.

Greene served two terms as a member of the board of directors of the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York, second district, which services thrift

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